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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

(Original) A support device adapted to support structures, the support device comprising:

 a support structure having a top surface and a bottom surface, the bottom surface for
 resting on a surface, wherein the support structure comprises a pliable support structure;

a substantially rigid plate structure, the plate structure disposed on the top surface and coupled with the support structure; and

at least one elongate strut disposed on the plate structure, where the elongate strut is coupled to the plate structure.

- 2. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 1, the support structure having a recess therein, and a portion of the substantially rigid plate structure is disposed within the recess.
- 3. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 1, wherein the support structure is formed of foam.
- 4. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 1, wherein the substantially rigid plate structure is formed of plastic.
- 5. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 1, wherein the substantially rigid plate structure is formed of metal.
- 6 (Original) A support device adapted to support structures, the support device comprising:
 a support structure, the support structure having a top surface, a bottom surface, and side surfaces, the bottom surface for resting on a surface, wherein the support structure comprises a pliable support structure;

a plate structure, at least a portion of the plate structure disposed on the top surface and coupled with the support structure; and

at least one elongate coupling member associated with the plate, where the elongate coupling member is coupled to the plate.

- 7. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 6, wherein the plate structure is a substantially rigid plate structure.
- 8. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 6, wherein the plate structure is formed of plastic.
- 9. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 6, wherein the plate structure is formed of metal.
- 10. (Original)The support device as recited in claim 6, wherein the plate structure is formed of HDPE.
- 11. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 6, further comprising a fastener that fastens the plate structure with the support structure.
- 12. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 6, further comprising an elongate strut formed by surfaces of the plate structure.
- 13. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 6, wherein the plate structure covers a portion of the top surface and at least a portion of the side surfaces of the support structure.
- 14. (Original) A support device adapted to support structures, the support device comprising:
 a support structure, the support structure having a top surface and a bottom surface, the
 bottom surface for resting on a surface, wherein the support structure comprises a pliable
 support structure;

a plate structure, at least a portion of the plate structure disposed on the top surface and

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coupled with the support structure; and

the plate structure including at least one elongate strut.

- 15. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 14, wherein the elongate strut is formed by surfaces of the planar plate.
- 16. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 15, wherein the support structure is formed of foam.
- 17. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 15, wherein the plate structure is formed of plastic.
- 18. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 15, wherein the plate structure is formed of metal.
- 19. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 15, further comprising a fastener at least partially disposed between the support plate and the support structure.
- 20. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 19, wherein the fastener includes adhesive.
- The support device as recited in claim 14, further comprising means for 21. (Amended) elevating the elongate [structure] strut.
- 22. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 14, further comprising means for adjusting elevation of the elongate structure.
- 23. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 14, further comprising one or more elevational assemblies coupled with the support device.

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24. (Original) The support device as recited in claim 23, wherein the elevation assemblies include elevating members hingedly coupled with a portion of the elevational assembly.

25. (Amended) A method comprising:

placing a support device on a surface, the support device including a support structure having a top surface and a bottom surface, the bottom surface for resting on a surface, wherein the support structure comprises a pliable support structure, a substantially rigid plate structure, the plate structure disposed on the top surface and coupled with the support structure, and at least one elongate strut [disposed on] <u>associated with</u> the plate structure [, where the elongate strut is coupled to the plate structure]; <u>and</u>

mounting an elongate structure to the elongate strut.

- 26. (Original) The method as recited in claim 25, further comprising elevating the elongate structure relative to the support device with an elevating assembly.
- 27. (Original) The method as recited in claim 26, further comprising allowing the elongate structure to move relative to a portion of the elevating assembly and the support device.
- 28. (Original) The method as recited in claim 27, wherein allowing the elongate structure to move includes coupling the elongate structure to an elevating member, and swinging a portion of the elevating member relative to at least one of the portion of the elevating assembly or the support device.